



# COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION P.O. BOX 3265, HARRISBURG, PA 17105-3265

August 11, 2008

Ms. Marlene Dortch Office of the Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554 Received & Inspected

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Re: Verizon Telephone Companies v. Federal Communications Commission and the United States of America, United States Court of Appeals,
District of Columbia, Docket No. 08-1012

In the Matter of Verizon's Petitions for Forbearance In the Boston, New York, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, Providence, and Virginia Beach Metropolitan Statistical Areas, WC Docket No. 06-172

In the Matters of Quest Corporation for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 160(c) in the Omaha Metropolitan Statistical Area, WC Docket No. 04-223

Petition of ACS of Anchorage, Inc. Pursuant to Section 10 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, for Forbearance from Sections 251(c)(3) and 252(d)(1) in the Anchorage Study Area WC Docket No. 05-285

Petition of ACS of Anchorage, Inc. Pursuant to Section 10 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended (47 U.S.C. § 160(c)), For Forbearance from Certain Dominant Carrier Regulations of Its Interstate Access Services, and for Forbearance from Title II Regulation Of its Broadband Services, in the Anchorage, Alaska, Incumbent Local Exchange Carrier Study Area WC Docket No. 06-109

Dear Ms. Dortch:

I enclose the Ex Parte Filing of the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission (PaPUC) formally submitting for the record in these proceedings a copy of the executed Confidentiality Agreements executed on August 8, 2008. The Confidentiality Agreements comply with the confidentiality requirements set forth in a pending appeal in the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia at Docket No. 08-1012 (the Forbearance Appeal) to which the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission is an Intervener in Support of Respondent FCC.

The Forbearance Appeal challenges the FCC's prior decision at Docket No. WC 06-172. The Forbearance Appeal relies on confidentiality agreements and information also set out in FCC Docket Nos. 06-172 (to which the Pennsylvania Commission was a party) and WC Docket Nos. 04-223, 05-285, and 06-109.

This Ex Parte Filing was filed electronically with the FCC on August 8, 2008 and served by first class mail on the parties of record in the pending appeal on August 11, 2008.

Sincerely Yours,

Joseph K. Witmer, Esq., Assistant Counsel Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission

Enclosure

cc:

Best Copy & Printing (via E-Mail)

FCC Parties of Record, USDC DC Civ. No. 08-1012

State Interveners Joint Brief in Support of Respondents Parties of Record, USDC DC Civ. No. 08-1012

# APPENDIX A - ATTACHMENT A WC DOCKET NO. 07-97

I have received a copy of the Modified First Protective Order in WC Docket No. 07-97. I have read the order and agree to comply with and be bound by the terms and conditions of the Modified First Protective Order. The signatory understands, in particular, that unauthorized disclosure, or the use of the information for competitive commercial or business purposes, will constitute a violation of the Modified First Protective Order.

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August 8,2008 DATE:

# APPENDIX B-ATTACHMENT A

# Acknowledgment of Confidentiality

### WC Docket No. 07-97

I hereby acknowledge that I have received and read a copy of the foregoing Modified Second Protective Order in the above-captioned proceeding, and I understand it. I agree that I am bound by the Modified Second Protective Order and that I shall not disclose or use Stamped Highly Confidential Documents or Highly Confidential Information except as allowed by this Modified Second Protective Order. I acknowledge that a violation of the Modified Second Protective Order is a violation of an order of the Federal Communications Commission.

Without limiting the foregoing, to the extent that I have any employment, affiliation or role with any person, or entity other than a conventional private law firm (such as, but not limited to, a lobbying or public interest organization), I acknowledge specifically that my access to any information obtained as a result of the *Modified Second-Protective Order* is due solely to my capacity as Outside Counsel of Record or Outside Consultant to a party or other person described in paragraph 6 of the foregoing *Modified Second-Protective Order* and that I will not use such information in any other capacity nor will I disclose such information except as specifically provided in the *Modified Second Protective Order*.

I acknowledge that it is my obligation to ensure that: (1) Stamped Highly Confidential Documents and Highly Confidential Information are used only as provided in the *Modified Second Protective Order*; and (2) Stamped Highly Confidential Documents are not duplicated except as specifically permitted by the terms of paragraphs 7, 10, 11, and 13 of the *Modified Second Protective Order*; and certificated have verified that there are in place procedures at my firm or office to prevent unauthorized disclosure of Stamped Highly Confidential Documents or Highly Confidential Information.

Capitalized terms used herein and not otherwise defined shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the *Modified Second Protective Order*,

Executed at Harrisburg, PA this Ethday of Aug. 1+ 2008.

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## WC DOCKET NO. 04-223

I have received a copy of the Modified Protective Order in WC Docket No. 04-223. I have read the order and agree to comply with and be bound by the terms and conditions of this Modified Protective Order. The signatory understands, in particular, that unauthorized disclosure, or the use of the information for competitive commercial or business purposes, will constitute a violation of this Modified Protective Order.

SIGNATURE: JOSEPH K. Witmer, Esq. PABAR #74939

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# ATTACHMENT TO APPENDIX B

# **WC DOCKET NO. 05-281**

I have received a copy of the Modified Protective Order in WC Docket No. 05-281. I have read the order and agree to comply with and be bound by the terms and conditions of this Modified Protective Order. The signatory understands, in particular, that unauthorized disclosure, or the use of the information for competitive commercial or business purposes, will constitute a violation of this Modified Protective Order.

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# ATTACHMENT TO APPENDIX C

### WC DOCKET NO. 06-109

I have received a copy of the Modified Protective Order in WC Docket No. 06-109. I have read the order and agree to comply with and be bound by the terms and conditions of this Modified Protective Order. The signatory understands, in particular, that unauthorized disclosure, or the use of the information for competitive commercial or business purposes, will constitute a violation of this Modified Protective Order.

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### APPENDIX A

# Acknowledgment of Confidentiality

### WC Docket No. 06-172

I hereby acknowledge that I have received and read a copy of the foregoing Second Protective Order in the above-captioned proceeding, and I understand it. I agree that I am bound by the Second Protective Order and that I shall not disclose or use Stamped Highly Confidential Documents or Highly Confidential Information except as allowed by this Second Protective Order. I acknowledge that a violation of the Second Protective Order is a violation of an order of the Federal Communications Commission.

Without limiting the foregoing, to the extent that I have any employment, affiliation or role with any person or entity other than a conventional private law firm (such as, but not limited to, a lobbying or public interest organization), I acknowledge specifically that my access to any information obtained as a result of the Second Protective Order is due solely to my capacity as Outside Counsel of Record or Outside Consultant to a party or other person described in paragraph 8 of the foregoing Second Protective Order and that I will not use such information in any other capacity nor will I disclose such information except as specifically provided in the Second Protective Order.

I acknowledge that it is my obligation to ensure that: (1) Stamped Highly Confidential Documents and Highly Confidential Information are used only as provided in the Second Protective Order; and (2) Stamped Highly Confidential Documents are not duplicated except as specifically permitted by the terms of paragraphs 9, 12, 13 and 15 of the Second Protective Order, and I certify that I have verified that there are in place procedures at my firm or office to prevent unauthorized disclosure of Stamped Highly Confidential Documents or Highly Confidential Information.

Capitalized terms used herein and not otherwise defined shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Second Protective Order.

Executed at Harrisbury, PA this 8+ day of August, 2008

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# ATTACHMENT A

# **WC DOCKET NO. 06-172**

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Exchange Carrier Study Area	)	

I hereby certify that I have this day served a true copy of the foregoing document, Ex Parte Notice of the filing of the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission by first-class mail upon the parties of record identified in the pending appeal in the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia, *Verizon Telephone* 

Companies v. the Federal Communications Commission and the United States of America, Civ. No. 08-1012, and submitted this filing in these dockets.

Respectfully submitted,

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